



Executive Department
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor
Proclamation

State Capitol
Boise

WHEREAS, this marks the 100th anniversary of the founding of the National Wildlife Refuge System by President Theodore Roosevelt; and

WHEREAS, the National Wildlife Refuge System is one of America's greatest conservation success stories and the worlds premier network of wildlife habitats; and

WHEREAS, six national wildlife refuges are located in the State of Idaho, from the Caribou Range to the Selkirks of the Snake River Plain; and

WHEREAS, these national wildlife refuges benefit fish and wildlife and their habitats, provide unparalleled outdoor experiences for all Americans, and protect a healthy environment;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DIRK KEMPTHORNE, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim March 14, 2003, to be

WILDLIFE REFUGE SYSTEM CENTENNIAL DAY

in Idaho.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this nineteenth day of February in the year of our Lord two-thousand and three and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred twenty-seventh and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred thirteenth.

A handwritten signature of Dirk Kempthorne in black ink.

DIRK KEMPTHORNE
GOVERNOR

A handwritten signature of Ben Isukua in black ink.

BEN ISUKUA
SECRETARY OF STATE